CURRENT VACANCIES as of

September 2018

For COMMISSIONER-APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMITTEES & COMMISSIONS

The Charles County Commissioners are seeking County residents to fill vacancies on the following Boards, Committees & Commissions:

- Adult Public Guardianship Review Board
- Alarm Review Board
- Animal Matters Hearing Board
- Area Council on Aging
- Board of License Commissioners (Liquor Board) District 4 and At Large
- Business Development Loan Fund for Women, Minorities and Veterans
- Charles County Pension Plan Committee
- Commission for Women
- Commission on Individuals with Disabilities
- Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council (Charles County)
- Ethics Commission
- Homeowner's Association Dispute Review Board
- Internal Audit Oversight Committee Newly Formed
- Library Board of Trustees
- Mental Health Advisory Committee
- Nuisance Abatement Board
- Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board
- Sheriff's Office Retirement Plan Committee (SORP)

Applications are available on the Charles County Government website at http://www.charlescounty.org/apps/citizenadvisory/public/enterApplication.jsp or by contacting Carol DeSoto, Senior Commissioner Specialist at 301-645-0691 or e-mail desotoc@charlescountymd.gov. A separate application must be submitted for each membership to which you wish to apply.

POSITIONS REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FILLED

Vacancy/Vacancies:

On the **Adult Public Guardianship Review Board**. The Commissioners are seeking to appoint a Doctor, a Registered Pharmacist, and a Psychiatrist. The Board provides impartial oversight of the care and services provided for the individuals under public guardianship; reviews the status of health and welfare of these persons; and makes recommendations as to whether guardianship should be continued as established, modified, or terminated. The Board meets twice a year and as needed for emergency situations. Members serve 4-year terms.

On the **Alarm Review Board** for a Local Alarm Business Representative. The Board was established by Ordinance No. 98-48 to encourage alarm users and alarm businesses to maintain operational reliability and to properly use alarm systems to reduce/or eliminate false alarm dispatch requests. The Alarm Review Board will conduct periodic reviews of false alarm records and formal hearings to consider evidence presented by interested parties regarding appeals from fines and/or other charges relating to installation or operation of an alarm system. The Board meets as needed.

On the **Animal Matters Hearing Board** for an at large member and a person who is knowledgeable of veterinarian practices. The task of the Animal Matters Hearing Board is to hear and decide upon receipt of a written complaint or request from a person receiving a violation notice, to conduct a public hearing after due notice to determine whether violations of these regulations have occurred and whether a person subject to an order of the Board has complied with that order. The Board meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Members serve 4-year terms.

On the **Area Council on Aging** for citizen members from both the senior community over the age of 60 and citizens at large; Members serve 4-year terms. The Council promotes the welfare and betterment of senior citizens of Charles County by working actively and cooperatively within the community; develops awareness and understanding of problems and concerns; and develops community support for programs designed to benefit and support the senior citizen population. The Council meets monthly on the second Thursday at the Richard Clark Center at 9:30 am.

On the Board of License Commissioners - Liquor Board for District 4 Representative and an At Large Member. The task of this Board is to review and approve the issuance and renewal of liquor licenses in Charles County, and establish penalties for violations. The Board meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the County Government Building. Members serve four-year terms.

On the **Business Development Loan Fund for Women, Minorities, and Veterans** for a Finance/Banking member. This Committee serves as an advisory review body for reviewing and approving loans to eligible businesses under the procedures of the Disadvantaged Loan Fund. The Committee meets only when applications are received on an as needed basis.

On the **Charles County Pension Plan Committee** for a Retiree Member who is also a participant of the Charles County Pension Plan. The Charles County Pension Plan (the "Plan") is a defined benefit plan which is sponsored by the County Commissioners of Charles County. Participation in the plan is mandatory for an employee hired on or after July 1, 1991. An open enrollment period is held in November of each year to allow for an employee currently not enrolled in the plan to participate as of December 1 of that year. The CCPP Retirement Plan Committee typically meets on the first Thursday of every quarter (February, May, August, and November) from 2:00 to 3:30 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

On the **Commission for Women** for citizen members. The Commission serves as a referral agency for women needing assistance; support and encourage volunteer programs of benefit to women; Publicize activities and services of interest to women; encourage educational and job training opportunities for women; Promote public forums on women's needs and problems; publicize newly passed legislation that affects women; promote continuing equal opportunity in education, employment, sports, and health care; focus on current family issues; and operate at all times and in all matters as a non-political, non-partisan commission. Members serve 4-year terms.

On the **Commission on Individuals with Disabilities** for citizen members. This board provides the Charles County Commissioners with advice, information and assistance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, to increase social acceptance and ensure full participation of individuals with disabilities in the many facets of County life. Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month at 3pm at County Government building in the office of the Safety Officer.

On the **Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council (Charles County)** for citizens members and members who work in area of substance abuse, prevention and treatment. The Council establishes and implement plans, strategies and priorities for alcohol and drug abuse evaluation, prevention and treatment services in Charles County.

On the **Ethics Commission** for a citizen member. The responsibilities of this Board are to devise, receive and maintain all forms generated by the Charles County Code, Chapter 170, Code of Ethics; to provide published advisory opinions to persons subject to the aforementioned code as to the applicability of the provisions; to investigate, process and make determinations as to complaints filed alleging violation of the aforementioned code; and to conduct a public information program regarding the purpose and application of the aforementioned code. The Board meets at least quarterly and currently monthly at 7:00 pm in the County Government Building. Members serve four-year terms.

On the **Homeowners' Association Dispute Review Board** for a member who is involved in housing development or real estate sales and citizen members. This board meets as needed to hear and resolve disputes between a homeowners' association and a homeowner regarding the covenants or restrictions of the homeowners' association. The Board meets as needed in the evenings at the County Government Building. Members serve three-year terms.

On the **Internal Audit Oversight Committee** for two residents with enough understanding of accounting, auditing, financial reporting and internal control. This committee shall advise the Board of Commissioners and the County Administrator on significant audit matters including, but not limited to Management's internal controls, compliance, performance and risk assessment practices and the work plan for internal audits performed under the Internal Audit Charter. This committee will meet semi–annually or as it deems necessary.

On the **Library Board of Trustees**. The vacancy is for a citizen member. The task of the Board is to deal with all aspects of the library, including services, staff, rules and regulations and other functions for the proper delivery of library services. The Board meets on the first Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. Members serve four-year terms

On the **Mental Health Advisory Committee.** The task of the Mental Health Advisory Committee is to review and make recommendations regarding services and facilities for mental health programs in Charles County. The Mental Health Advisory Committee is responsible for reviewing and recommending services and facilities for mental health programs in the County. Members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m. at the Charles County Department of Health, White Plains.

On the **Nuisance Abatement Board** for a citizen member. This Board conducts hearings pertaining to citizen complaints regarding unsightly accumulation of paper, junk, vehicle parts, trash, garbage, leaves, etc. and if grass, weeds, uncultivated vegetable growth, briars, bush and plants are more than 1 foot high on private property

On the Governor's **Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board**. The Commissioners nominate citizens for the Governor's consideration. The Board hears appeals from Charles County property owners who disagree with the values assessed by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, and appeals concerning local tax credits, local taxes, and other local tax matters. The Board meets approximately 1 to 2 times per month on Wednesdays. Terms are 5 years. In addition to completing a Charles County online Application, you must complete a Governor' online application: https://governor.maryland.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Application-Form.pdf.

On the **Sheriff's Office Retirement Plan Committee (SORP)** for a Retiree Member and At Large Member with a background in finance or accounting. The Charles County Sheriff's Office Retirement Plan (the "Plan") is a defined benefits plan which is sponsored by the County Commissioners of Charles County. The Plan was established on July 1, 1973, to provide a measure of financial security for Sheriff's Office employees and their families during post-retirement. Participation in the Plan is mandatory for all Sheriff's Office employees. The SORP Retirement Plan Committee typically meets on the second Thursday of every February, May, August, and November from 2:00 to 3:30 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.